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King Co. massage therapist suspended due to allegations of inappropriate touching of female clients

OLYMPIA -- State health officials have suspended King County massage therapist Steven Douglas Brown (MA.60414408) pending further action.

During March and April of 2016, Brown allegedly touched three female clients inappropriately while providing massage treatment. Brown has been charged with one count of indecent liberties, a class B felony, and two counts of attempted indecent liberties, class C felonies.

Brown has 20 days to request a hearing to contest the department's charges. He cannot practice massage in Washington until the charges are resolved.

The legal documents on this case can be seen online by clicking the link on [Provider Credential Search](#) on the [Department of Health website](#); copies can be requested by calling 360-236-4700.

Anyone who believes a health care provider acted unprofessionally is encouraged to call that number to report their complaint.

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